



February 6, 2007

H.R. 356 – To remove certain restrictions on the Mammoth Community Water District's ability to use certain property acquired by that District from the United States

Floor Situation

H.R. 356 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Howard "Buck" McKeon (D-CA) on January 9, 2007, and has not been considered by any committee in the 110th Congress.

H.R. 356 is expected to be considered on February 6, 2007.

Note: In the 109th Congress, the House of Representatives passed similar legislation (H.R. 853) by voice vote on December 13, 2005. The Senate received the bill but did not act upon it.

Background

Public Law 90-171 permitted the District of Mono County, California to receive 25 acres of land from the U.S. Forest Service for specific uses. 13 acres were set aside for offices and wastewater treatment facilities and 12 acres for material storage. These 12 acres of material storage are no longer needed for this purpose and the District believes the 12 acres can better be used for water supply purposes.

Summary

H.R. 356 amends Public Law 90-171 by allowing the Mammoth Community Water District to use its 25 acres of land for purposes other than the purposes for which the land was being used prior to the conveyance.

Because Public Law 90-171 was specific in how the District could use the land, Congressional authorization is needed to change current law so the District can use its land for purposes other than its current uses.

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Cost

H.R. 386 has not been scored by the Congressional Budget Office.

**Note: The identical bill, H.R. 853 from the 109th Congress, was estimated by CBO to have no effect on the Federal Budget.*

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